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## MERRIAM VOTE IN TORRANCE 4 TIMES COUNT IN PRIMARY

Upton Sinclair, However, Leads in Both Torrance and Lomita Despite Big Increase in Republican Vote

While Torrance residents gave Governor Frank Merriam nearly four times as many votes in Tuesday's election as he polled here in the August primary, Governor Merriam still ran 284 votes behind Upton Sinclair, final tallies of the 12 Torrance precincts revealed. Merriam increased his Torrance support from 310 votes in the primary to 1187 in the general election. Sinclair polled 912 votes here in the primary, which was increased to 1481 in Tuesday's balloting. An all-time record vote was cast, 3037 of the 4042 registered voters going to the polls, slightly over 75 per cent.

### VICTORIOUS



CONGRESSMAN CHAS. J. GOLDEN, who was given an overwhelming majority for re-election to Congress from this district.

For lieutenant governor, Torrance gave Sheridan Downey, Democratic-Epic running mate of Upton Sinclair, 1477 votes to George J. Hatfield's, Republican, 1264.

Golden Big Winner  
Congressman Charles J. Golden, incumbent Democrat, received over twice the vote of the Republican candidate, C. E. (Cap) Wright, former San Pedro postmaster. The complete Torrance tally gave Golden, 1894; Wright, 821. In Lomita, Golden received 1061 votes to Wright's 647. Complete and final returns from the 127 precincts in the 17th Congressional district gave Golden 59,417 and Wright 20,347. Pomeroy, Socialist candidate from Harbor City, received 4647.

Epic Wins  
Culbert L. Olson, Upton Sinclair's right-hand man in his election campaign, was assured of election to the state senate from the 14th district over Assemblyman Lawrence Cobb, Republican. In Torrance, the vote was Olson 1463, Cobb 959. In Lomita, Olson 1019, Cobb 652.

Complete returns from all but one precinct in the district gave Olson 398,732, Cobb 373,600.

Carter Beaten  
Henry Carter, former state senator and assemblyman, lost a bid for the assembly from the 68th district, was given a bad beating by Fred Reeves, Democratic-Epic candidate. Complete returns from the 96 precincts in the district gave Reeves 31,914 and Carter 1880. In Torrance, Reeves 1461, Carter 1085. In Lomita, Reeves 1647, Carter 709.

Complete and final returns from Torrance and Lomita for all other offices, and the 30 state and county propositions are given in tabulations printed in this issue.

## Harbors Chambers Will Celebrate Merriam Election

The meeting of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at Recreation Park clubhouse, Long Beach, tonight, will take on the aspect of a victory celebration in honor of Governor Frank F. Merriam, distinguished member of that body, who has just been elected for the ensuing term beginning next January. Governor Merriam has been a member of the chamber for a number of years and his election to succeed himself is very pleasing to his fellows in the organization.

## LOS ANGELES COUNCIL GIVES ORDERS TO RUSH ROAD PLANS

Improvement of El Prado From Torrance to Normandie Avenue Will Give Access to New Million Dollar Plant; Local Council's Work Bears Fruit

Extension of Torrance boulevard easterly from its present terminus to the new plant of the Hughes-Mitchell Processes, Inc., providing direct access between the Torrance business district and the new \$1,500,000 plant, is in immediate prospect today.

Instructions to the Los Angeles city engineer to rush plans for the project immediately were given by the city council late last week through a resolution of Councilman Franklin Buyer. The text of Councilman Buyer's statement to the council was as follows:

"The Hughes-Mitchell Company is erecting a \$1,500,000 industrial plant, consisting of 21 separate buildings, on the west side of Normandie avenue and north of 208th street. Many buildings are rapidly nearing completion and 300 men are now employed with a payroll of \$5000 a week.

"Torrance boulevard, formerly El Prado, one of the main highways leading direct to the plant from the city of Torrance, is only partially improved with rock and oil surfacing between the city of Torrance and 208th street. The remaining portion of the boulevard between 208th street and Normandie avenue is not improved, and there is only a narrow graded street, which is in bad condition.

"I ask that the city engineer be instructed to immediately prepare plans and an estimate of the cost for paving Torrance boulevard from 208th street to Normandie with a 30-foot pavement, without curbs, if possible, the line of eucalyptus trees on the southeast side of the boulevard.

## Fall On Stairs Brings Death to Former Resident

Mrs. Nellie M. Pratt Dies At Home In Long Beach Thursday

Christian Science services were held Monday afternoon, November 5, for Mrs. Nellie Middleton Pratt, 1736 Atlantic avenue, Long Beach, at Stone & Myers chapel. Interment was made at Inglewood Park cemetery. The Torrance Bethel, Job's Daughters, of which Mrs. Pratt had formerly been the honored queen, was in charge of rites at the grave.

Mrs. Pratt died Thursday night at her home in Long Beach as the result of an accident. Her skull was fractured in a fall down a flight of steps.

She leaves her mother, Mrs. Minnie Smith, her half sister, Miss Dorothy Middleton, and her husband, La Verne Pratt, all of Long Beach, and her aunt, Mrs. Mary Harder, of Torrance.

Mrs. Pratt, who was 24 years of age, grew up in Torrance, residing here for about 17 years. She made her home with her grandmother, Mrs. Nellie Crossland, who passed away a few months ago. She returned to Long Beach about five years ago, where she was at the time of her death as an employe of the Andrews Oil Company.

## Edmund Glasow Taken By Death At Home Friday

Aged Resident Succumbs After Long Period of Ill Health

Edmund J. Glasow, 1722 Manuel, passed away Friday, November 2, at his home, following a long period of ill health. He was 78 years of age. Born March 14, 1855, in Wheeling, West Virginia, Mr. Glasow lived there during the early part of his life and then removed to California, settling in San Pedro where he was employed by the E. K. Wood Lumber Company. Later he bought property in Lomita, where he spent several years and finally removed to Torrance to be close to his children, residents of this city.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Clara D. Glasow, and three daughters, Mrs. J. W. McQuaid, Mrs. Frank Dalton, and Miss Pearl Glasow, all of this city. He also leaves several brothers and sisters in the east, and three grandchildren, Edward and Billy Dalton and Jack Malne McQuaid.

Private funeral services were held at Stone & Myers chapel at 10:30 Monday morning, November 5, Mrs. Watt of San Pedro, Christian Science reader, in charge. Interment was made at Angelus Abbey Mausoleum, Compton.

## More Buildings Go Up At Plant

Permits for two additional buildings for the Hughes-Mitchell Processes \$1,000,000 chemical plant on Normandie avenue, were issued late last week by the city of Los Angeles.

One of the buildings will be 63 ft. 10 in. one-story in height and will cost \$7500. It will be of steel-frame construction with a corrugated steel roof and the Consolidated Steel Corporation has the contract.

The other building is a one-story structure 27 by 37 feet, to cost \$4000. This building also will have a steel frame with corrugated steel roof, steel roof stresses and cement floor.

## STORES CLOSE ON MONDAY

Stores, offices, banks and markets will close all day Monday, November 12, to observe the Armistice Day holiday. Two drug stores will remain open, Alcorn's on Torrance boulevard, and the Dolley Drug, corner of Saratoga and El Prado. Food customers are reminded to provide themselves with supplies on Saturday as all markets will be closed all day Monday. One delivery of mail will be made from the post office in the morning. The windows will be closed at 12 o'clock noon for the remainder of the day.

## Payrolls To Increase In Local Factories

The election of Governor Merriam will soon be reflected in added employment and increased payrolls in Torrance factories, the Herald learned today from executives of leading local industrial plants. It is known that a large number of orders, which had been held up pending the outcome of the election, will soon be released and production increased.

## How Torrance and Lomita Voted

Below is the complete and final tally of votes in Torrance and Lomita, as compiled by the Torrance Herald and Lomita News.

GOVERNOR		STATE PROPOSITIONS		COUNTY PROPOSITIONS			
	Tor.	Lom.	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Merriam (R)	1187	762	No. 1. Veterans' Welfare bond act.		Torrance	822	1213
Sinclair (D)	1481	1410	Torrance	1328	814	Lomita	522
Haight (C-P)	328	285	No. 2. Permits sale of liquor in hotels, etc.		Torrance	1449	1091
Darcy (C)	7	4	Torrance	1449	1091	Lomita	839
Demeter (S)	1	0	No. 3. Provides for change in method of selection of Supreme or Appellate Judges.		Torrance	858	1077
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR		No. 4. Makes Attorney General ex-officio prosecutor in superior court.			Torrance	847	749
Hatfield (R)	1264	796	No. 5. Permits judge's comment on failure of defendant to testify.		Torrance	1153	705
Downey (D)	1677	1239	Torrance	1153	705	Lomita	854
Perry (C)	4	218	No. 6. Permits accused to plead guilty on arraignment.		Torrance	1174	641
Southwick (S)	14	20	Torrance	1174	641	Lomita	924
SECRETARY OF STATE		No. 7. Amends state civil service act.			Torrance	1324	576
Jordan (R)	2453	1509	Torrance	1324	576	Lomita	982
Stevens (P)	258	180	No. 8. Provides for state constitutional convention.		Torrance	892	779
Ash (C)	49	35	Torrance	892	779	Lomita	695
CONTROLLER		No. 9. Creates State Chiropractic Association. Establishes legal rights of licensees.			Torrance	1138	1040
Riley (R)	2493	1235	Torrance	1138	1040	Lomita	767
Whitney (C)	128	90	No. 10. Provides for budget and claims regulations for all state offices, etc.		Torrance	979	610
TREASURER		Torrance		979	610	Lomita	715
Johnson (R)	1198	792	No. 11. Abolishes office of state superintendent of education. Elects board of education.		Torrance	708	1130
Ward (D)	1513	1123	Torrance	708	1130	Lomita	544
Brown (C)	21	13	No. 12. Prescribes legal interest rates; certain classes exempt.		Torrance	1029	780
ATTORNEY GENERAL		Torrance		1029	780	Lomita	756
Webb (R)	1899	1277	No. 13. Establishes local option.		Torrance	787	1638
Sheur (P)	749	600	Torrance	787	1638	Lomita	513
MEMBER STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION		No. 14. Provides new method selecting superior court judges.			Torrance	783	989
4th District		Torrance		783	989	Lomita	611
Castell (R)	1082	707	No. 15. Provides for election of superior court judges from districts in counties over 100,000 population.		Torrance	672	972
Shenitz (D)	1568	1162	Torrance	672	972	Lomita	497
Bernes (P)	84	50	No. 16. Provides for establishing municipal courts in cities or counties of over 40,000 population.		Torrance	828	769
U. S. SENATOR		Torrance		828	769	Lomita	686
Johnson (R)	2526	1735	No. 17. Provides for creation of Naturopathic Association; prescribes legal rights.		Torrance	927	1068
Kirkpatrick (S)	177	117	Torrance	927	1068	Lomita	622
REPRESENTATIVE		No. 18. Permits state to incur indebtedness for development of water resources payable in 70 years.			Torrance	682	1012
17th District		Torrance		682	1012	Lomita	517
Wright (R)	821	647	No. 19. Limits state indebtedness created by legislature.		Torrance	790	881
Golden (D)	1894	1061	Torrance	790	881	Lomita	517
Pomeroy (S)	103	257	No. 20. Permits cities to own stock in mutual water companies.		Torrance	1428	403
STATE SENATOR		Torrance		1428	403	Lomita	941
38th District		Torrance		1428	403	Lomita	289
Cobb (R)	959	652					
Olson (D)	1463	1019					
Adams (P-C)	79	54					
Padgett (P)	56	42					
Misson	23	29					
ASSEMBLY		TOTAL VOTE CAST					
68th District		Torrance		3037			
Garter (R)	1036	709	Lomita		2274		
Reaves (D)	1481	1047					
JUDICIAL		On the basis of incomplete returns, State Propositions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20, 21 and 23 are leading; Propositions Nos. 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19 and 22 are probably lost. County Propositions Nos. 2, 3 and 6 are apparently approved. Nos. 1, 4 and 5, lost. Flood control bonds appear to be decisively defeated.					
Superior Court 13		Torrance		1483			
Crawford	1080	649	Lomita		998		
Westover	1184	929					
Superior Court 15		Torrance		1463			
Kenny	1383	886	Lomita		652		
Stafford	875	623					
Superior Court 16		Torrance		1483			
Ambrose	1618	1121	Lomita		654		
Sewell	664	435					
Superior Court 19		Torrance		1483			
Adams	951	547	Lomita		998		
Lindsey	1584	1213					
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE		Torrance		1483			
Carroll	1447	998	Lomita		998		
Monroe	810	512					
ASSESSOR		Torrance		1483			
Hopkins	1643	1066	Lomita		998		
Quinn	972	946					

## Too Many Lobsters Costs Stiff Fine

Arnold Hawkins, 3173 Flower street, Lynwood, was arraigned November 7 in the Lomita township justice court on a charge of violation of the fish and game code, illegal possession of lobsters. Deputy N. C. Kunkel made the arrest and appeared as complaining witness. The defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined \$50 or 125 days in the county jail, of which all but 25 or 10 days was suspended for two years. Hawkins made arrangements to secure the necessary \$25 and was held in the city jail pending the arrival of the money.

## Legion Drum Corps At Football Game

The Bert S. Crossland Post drum and bugle corps, will take part Monday afternoon in the entertainment provided at the St. Mary's U.C.L.A. football game at the Coliseum. A number of such organizations will be present and will give a combined drill and concert.

## Hughes-Mitchell Adds New Building

Construction of another \$7500 building at the site of the Hughes-Mitchell Processes Chemical plant on Normandie avenue was under way this week by the Consolidated Steel Corporation of Los Angeles. The latest building for which a permit is to be issued by the Los Angeles department of building and safety is a one-story corrugated steel structure, with a steel frame.

## CITY SELLS \$200,000 BONDS TO PURCHASE WATER SYSTEM

Bonds Purchased By Group of Los Angeles Brokers; Council Also Applies to PWA for \$170,000 Loan For Future Improvements

Ownership of the water distributing system which has served Torrance residents ever since the original city was built soon will be transferred from the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company, private utility, to the City of Torrance. Final obstacle to be overcome in the long drawn out controversy for the purchase of the water company's holdings was the re-election of Governor Frank Merriam.

Sale of a block of \$200,000 municipal water bonds to a group of prominent Los Angeles bond brokers was authorized by the Torrance city council at a meeting called for that purpose last Friday afternoon. The agreement to purchase the bonds, however, was contingent upon the re-election of Governor Merriam, as the bond house representatives insisted upon putting a provision in the agreement that they would not be obliged to go through with the purchase if Upton Sinclair were elected. The bond buyers frankly stated that unless Governor Merriam were elected they would not be interested in purchasing the bonds as they predicted that there would be little possibility of marketing California municipal and district bonds if Upton Sinclair were successful in launching his Epic program.

Sum of \$250  
However, now that Governor Merriam's election is a certainty, funds for the purchase of the water system will soon be available. It is stated by city officials. The bonds will carry 6 per cent interest, payable semi-annually, and a bonus of \$250 on the \$200,000 issue is to be paid by the brokers. Prominent among the group of bond buyers, who will market the issue are: Banks, Huntley & Company; Griffith, Wagenseller & Durst; and D. A. Hill & Company, all well-known brokers in municipal securities.

A party of 48 investors to whom the brokers expect to re-sell the \$200,000 worth of Torrance bonds visited the city Monday and were taken on a tour of inspection throughout the residential and industrial sections of the city. Many of the wealthy men included in the party expressed great surprise at the extent of local industrial plants and seemed very favorably impressed.

City Attorney Rippey and City Engineer Leonard have been busy this week completing routine legal details and supplying other data required by the bond brokers.

Improvements Planned  
The major share of the \$200,000 to be received from the sale of the bonds will be used to purchase the property of the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company, which is now under option by the city for \$137,000. It is also planned to purchase a reservoir site at the corner of Torrance boulevard and Madrona avenue, highest elevation in the city.

## FINAL ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR ARMISTICE CELEBRATION

Huge Parade Led By Mayor Ludlow Will Traverse City Streets; Past Commander of County Council Will Speak; Entertainment During Afternoon

Final arrangements were made last night at a meeting of the Bert S. Crossland Post, American Legion, for the celebration of Armistice Day, Sunday, November 11, which will start with a big parade through the downtown streets, along Arlington avenue, and break up at the municipal ball park where the main program will be held.

Clifford Hicks, past commander of San Pedro post, and past commander of the Los Angeles county council, will deliver the patriotic address.

The parading groups will be led by Hon. Scott R. Ludlow, mayor of Torrance, as grand marshal. He will be followed by the color guard, a detachment from Fort McArthur. A naval detachment will be next in line, followed by the Cleveland Boys' band. Other participants are: San Pedro Drum and Bugle Corps, and ritualistic team. Hawthorne Drum and Bugle Corps. Gardena Drum and Bugle Corps. Long Beach Drum and Bugle Corps.

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THANKS HERALD  
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In a letter to Grover C. Whyte, editor of the Torrance Herald & Lomita News, Congressman Charles J. Golden says:  
"Permit me to express my appreciation of your splendid assistance in the recent campaign. Our victory is due entirely to the devotion of the voters to a great cause—the new deal and more abundant life for all. I assure you that my endorsement by the people of the 17th California Congressional District, inspires me to a greater effort in this momentous struggle to restore the rights of humanity and the well-being of all."  
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